(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Question does not arise.

Consumer redrcssaJ cases

644. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY: Will the Minister of CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 3S07 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 23rd August, 1993 and state:

(a) the number of cases pending for disposal at the end of the year;

(b) the number of cases filed and disposed of by District Consumer Fora and State Commission in the year 1993;

(c) the number of cases which are pending before each District Consumer Fora and State Commission till date; and

(d) whether Government propose to constitute one more District Consumer Forum to reduce the pendency and also make redressal of consumer grievances more easy?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED): (a) Number of cases pending for disposal in Delhi State

Comission ---------- .... —941
No. of cases pending in District Forum I---------- 4072
No. of cases pending in District Forum II 3093

(b) No. of cases filed in State Commission in 1993 685
No. of cases disposed of in State Commission .... *i*....456
No. of cases filed in District Forum I in 1993.... 3320
No. of cases disposed of in Delhi Forum I.... 199[7]
No. of cases filed in District Forum II in 1993.... - ....-3522
No. of cases disposed of in District Forum II.... 2189

(c) No. of cases pending before State Commission -------- .....—— 929
No. of cases pending before District Forum I ....- .....-4104
No. of cases pending before District Forum II.... — '238

(d) The Consumer Protection Acs. 1986 has been amended to empowei the State Governments/UT Administration to set up more than one District Forums wherever considered necessary. Therefore the decision to set up one more forum rests exclusively with she S-ate Government.

Food-grains take off from PDS

645. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Ministei of CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pieased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the take off of foodgrains from the Public Distribution System has fallen substantially;

(b) if so, what is the percentage of fall in the take off of foodgrains from PDS both in the urban and rural areas in the country; and

(c) what are the reasons there for?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY -OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS & PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI KAMALUDDIN AHMED;: (a) There has been a reduction in the offtake of foodgrains through the Public Distribution System ('PDS; in 1993 as